PROCEEDINGS
OF
THE TRAVANCORE SRI MULAM ASSEMBLY.

(OFFICIAL REPORT.)

FIRST ASSEMBLY.

FOURTH SESSION.

Wednesday, the 23rd January 1935/10th Makaram 1110.

The Assembly met again in the Victoria Jubilee Town Hall at Eleven of the clock, the President presiding.

NEW MEMBER SWORN IN.

MR. C. O. MADHAVAN (Excise Commissioner) was sworn in and he signed the Rolls.

QUESTIONS AND ANSWERS.

PRESIDENT: As Honourable members will notice, questions 42 to 46 both inclusive, standing over for answer are in the name of Mr. Padmanabhan. I have received a letter from him in which he says thus — "As I have an urgent engagement for the morning I will not be able to appear in the Assembly before question-time. Questions Nos. 42 to 46 sent by me come up tomorrow. I wish to elicit important information by asking supplementary questions. I request you to be so good as to allow me to ask those questions on 11-6-1110". Of course a member who is prevented from other causes to be present has not the right to ask questions, particularly when those questions were placed on the table yesterday and are being repeated to-day. Further the inconvenience that is caused by postponing is adding to the bulk of the questions of the following day. Also Honourable members will see what progress we are making in that respect. However, at a glance of these questions I see that they are somewhat important from the standpoint of the interpellator. Therefore as a special concession I allow these questions being taken up tomorrow.

The Panchayat Regulation.

42. ***MR. T. KRISHNA PILLAI** (*Neyyattinkara II*): Will the Government be pleased to state:

(*a*) when the Panchayat Bill was passed by the Legislative Council;

(*b*) whether Rules have been framed as per Section 62 of the Regulation; and

(*c*) in how many centres it has been brought into operation?

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RAO SAHIB DR. N. KUNJAN PILLAI (*Chief Secretary to Government*): (*a*) There was no such Bill as the Panchayat Bill. If what the member means is the Travancore Village Panchayat Bill, it was passed by the Legislative Council on the 2nd Kumbham 1110.

(*b*) Yes.

(*c*) Eight.

MR. T. KRISHNA PILLAI (*Neyyattinkara II*): In the answer to part (*a*) I find that the Travancore Village Panchayat Bill was passed on the 2nd Kumbham 1110. I think it is a mistake for 1100. Am I right?

RAO SAHIB DR. N. KUNJAN PILLAI (*Chief Secretary to Government*) Yes, that is a misprint for 1100.

MR. K. KUNJUKRISHNA PILLAI (*Quilon I*): May I know, if Government are so fastidious about the name of the Regulation, why not they be fastidious in the printing and corrections also?

RAO SAHIB DR. N. KUNJAN PILLAI (*Chief Secretary to Government*): I am sorry the error escaped the notice of the proof reader. Government will hereafter try to be fastidious in regard to the printing also.

Ezhava applicants for Sirkar Vakil's place.

43. ***MR. K. M. KRISHNAN** (*Ambalapuzha II*): Will the Government be pleased to state:

(*a*) the number of Ezhava applicants for Sirkar Vakil's place till now (19-9-1109); and

(*b*) how their applications were dealt with?

RAO SAHIB DR. N. KUNJAN PILLAI (*Chief Secretary to Government*): (*a*) Seven.

(*b*) Their claims were duly considered in filling up vacancies.

Medical Officer in charge of the Kalavoor dispensary.

44. ***MR. K. M. KRISHNAN** (*Ambalapuzha II*): Will the Government be pleased to state:

(*a*) whether the Government are aware of the fact (i) that the Doctor in charge of the Kalavoor dispensary, if he is a Christian, is also in charge of the Leper Asylum at Alleppey, and (ii) that he is paid a remuneration of Rs. 35 a month for his service in the asylum and

(*b*) who was in charge of the dispensary when the present Darbar Physician visited it last, a Christian or a non-Christian?

MR. JAMES SIMPSON (*Darbar Physician*): (*a*) (i) Yes.

(ii) Yes.

(*b*) Christian.

MR. K. M. KRISHNAN (*Ambalapuzha II*): May I know if the Doctor in charge of the dispensary is a non-Christian he will also be given the privilege of having the charge of the Leper Asylum?

MR. JAMES SIMPSON (*Darbar Physician*): I do not think the situation has arisen so far.

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